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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Alpha chapter of the Beta Kappa Sigma fraternity of the Bridgeport High school will hold their first annual reception and dance at the Stratfield, Friday evening, April 15. The event will be attended by members of the different chapters of the fraternity throughout the state and Massachusetts and promises to be a social of more than ordinary interest to the younger set of the city. The general committee includes: George Burns, Jr., Edward J. McKeever, Walter E. Lalley, Charles J. Musante, Hubert Donnelly and Stanley Greenwood. The reception committee will include: Hubert Donnelly, chairman, Joseph Howard, Walter Lalley, Edward McKeever and Charles Musante. The patronesses will be Mrs. Henry Lee, Mrs. F. C. Mullins, Mrs. Joseph A. O'Brien, Thomas Walsh, and Mrs. Fred Wren. The ushers to include: T. Leo Lalley, Fred C. Mullins, Joseph A. O'Brien, Thomas Walsh, Fred Wren, John H. McMahon and George Burns, Jr.

For the first time in a number of years a real Masonic Ball will be held to-night at the Stratfield, under the auspices of Orient Chapter, O. E. S. The ball promises to be one of the leading social events of the season. The sale of tickets indicates a large attendance. Members of Hamilton Commandery, K. T., will attend wearing their full regalia. Templar regalia. Members of the Arab Patrol, Pyramid Temple, will wear the fez. Two orchestras will furnish music. Past patrons and masters of the chapter will act on the reception committee. At midnight an elaborate luncheon will be served. The dining room will be kept open all of the evening for those desiring refreshments. To-day the ball room is in the hands of the decorators. The grand march will start promptly at 9 o'clock. A feature of the ball will be the elaborate electrical display that has been planned.

Members of the Bridgeport Club gave a dinner at the club last evening, to J. T. Rick, who has been associated with the Bridgeport De-Oxidized Bronze & Metal Co. for some time, and who is to leave that concern to accept a position with the Whitlock Oil Pipe Co. of Hartford. During the banquet Mr. Rick was presented with a handsome seal ring. Those who gave the dinner were, Howard Walters, John Waters, Howard M. Sloat, Richard E. Steward, George L. Sloat, S. E. Bennett, P. Holyday, J. E. Stickle, William Regnery, Samuel Greening, James Ogden and William Graywood.

Elaborate arrangements are being made for the mammoth whist and dance to be given at the Stratfield on Monday, April 19 by the Ladies of the St. Vincent de Paul society for the benefit of the free bed fund. A whist to be held in the large ball room in the afternoon, while another whist and an informal dance will take place in the evening. The whist will be probably the largest of its kind ever held in Bridgeport as accommodations can be made for several hundred players. As the object is for charity it is expected that all the events will be liberally patronized.

Mr. F. G. Fritta, Oneonta, N. Y., writes: "My little girl was greatly benefited by taking Foley's Orino Laxative, and I think it is the best remedy for constipation and liver trouble." Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children, as it is mild, pleasant and effective. It is a simple medicine, as it cleanses the system and clears the complexion. F. B. Brill, local agent. *133

FRATERNAL NEWS

A degree team composed of the Past Masters of Konkopotanah tribe, I. O. O. F. M., worked the Adoptive Degree upon one pale face according to the old ritual which was in use some years ago. This is composed of such minor tortures as branding and filling the victim's body with blazing splinters. The team that did the work was composed of the following: Sachem, A. A. Bradley, Waterbury; senior saganore, Carl Foster; junior saganore, E. J. Maylor; prophet, E. E. Treadwell; saganors, H. H. Jackson and W. C. Newscomb; scouts, H. M. Tutill and J. A. Shepard; warriors, W. A. Lounsbury, J. H. Bishop, J. Erickson and C. A. Smith; braves, G. H. Lee, F. A. Hart, W. A. Goddard and J. M. Hartford. E. B. Treadwell was in charge of the degree work while J. M. Chaffee looked after the "corn and venison" end of the program.

WHAT'S OFF IN CHURCH METHODISTS TAKE ACTION

Richmond, Ind., April 14.—The official board of the First Methodist Church of this city, adopted a resolution to-day condemning women's hats and requiring all to remove their top banner on entering the church. The resolution declares that the display of flowers and ribbons is so great and the hats themselves so large that the view of the minister is obscured completely by those in the front pews.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor of the Bridgeport Farmer:
Dear Sir:—

An editorial in the Telegram Monday morning entitled "An Explanation" prompted a reply which the Telegram has declined to publish. As the matter is a public one and in no sense personal, I would ask you to publish the following letters.

Yours very truly,
C. N. Haskell, M. D., Secretary.
Editor Morning Telegram: Dear Sir:—My attention is attracted to your editorial of explanation in this morning's issue of the Telegram. We recognize the fact that you have devoted some space to the matter of which we thank you and for which you can thank yourselves as everybody is benefited alike.

We have equal reason to thank the other papers what they have done. Your paper has, in the past, done no more and perhaps no less than the others in the country and not as much as it should do in the future. The work that we are doing is for the benefit of humanity and we consider that it is the duty of every woman and child to assist in the fight against consumption. We cannot thank you, for neither can we let go unchallenged, any expression of unjust criticism that detracts from our work.

If your editorial of last Tuesday referred to other than local workers, you failed to make the fact apparent. In your editorials, which are at least in the estimation of the medical profession and many others as well antagonistic to all advancement in matters relating to public health, are intended to be helpful, are written with the idea that they are impartial and broad-minded criticism of existing conditions. It is unfortunate that they should be misinterpreted.

You refer to my letter as violent. Exclusive readers of the Telegram should buy one of the papers and judge for themselves whether or not it is violent. I am pleased that its purpose is not mistaken. As it did not appear that the writer represented anybody else except himself, the communication met with the usual fate, etc."

We often wonder how any person can be persuaded into taking anything but Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung trouble. Do not be fooled into accepting "own make" or other substitutes. The genuine contains no harmful drugs and is in a yellow package. F. B. Brill, local agent. *133

GOMPERTS GOING ABROAD TO STUDY CONDITIONS

Washington, D. C., April 14.—After laying before the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor, at yesterday's session, a detailed report of his proposed trip to Europe to study and report upon the industrial, sociology and economic conditions of the laboring people in those countries Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation, announced that he would leave New York on the Baltic on June 23. The council authorized an expenditure to meet the expenses of the trip.

NO ARMOR CAN RESIST POWER OF FRENCH SHELL

Toulon, April 14.—Speaking before a commission of inquiry, an officer of the army made some sensational statements regarding the power of a French shell known as the "P." He said no existing armor was able to resist the destructive qualities of this explosive, and cited the case of a shell entering the smokestack of a battleship and coming out below the water line.

MILLIONS OF MACKEREL

New York, April 14.—Capt. Chichester of the Clyde liner Annapolis sent a wireless message last night with the request that the fishermen along the coast be notified that literally millions of mackerel were running along the Jersey Coast yesterday.

DENVER'S SNOW BLOCKADE

Denver, Col., April 14.—Blocked in April snow drifts, the east-bound passenger train on the Denver, North-western & Pacific Railroad, known as the Moffat road, is tied up at Earl, on the west side of the Continental Divide.

"Beyond the Alps."

A Kansas girl graduate who had been given the theme, "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy," promulgated the following: "I don't care a cent whether Italy lies beyond the Alps or in Missouri. I do not expect to set the river on fire with my future career. I am glad that I have a good education, but I am not going to misuse it by writing poetry or essays on the future woman. It will enable me to correct the grammar of any lover I may have should he speak of 'dorgs' in my presence or 'seen a man.' It will also come handy when I want to figure out how many pounds of soap a woman can get for three dozen eggs at the grocery. So I do not begrudge the time I spent in acquiring it. But my ambitions do not fly so high. I just want to marry a man who can lick anybody of his weight in the township, who can run an eighty acre farm and who has no female relatives to come around and try to boss the ranch. I will agree to cook dinners for him that won't send him to an early grave and lavish upon him a whole-some affection and to see that his razor has not been used to cut broom wire when he wants to shave. In view of all this I do not care if I get a little rusty on the rule of three and kindred things as the years go by."—Topeka Capital.

Part of the Letter We Read.
"Did you ever think," said an old printer, "that we really notice only the upper halves of the letters? The lower halves are in many cases only the stems, the remainders of ornamental flourishes which have been gradually reduced in size and length and are now meaningless. Take, for instance, the heading of a paper. Cover up with a blank sheet the lower half of the letters, and even if you did not know what they were you would have no difficulty in reading the words. Now, reverse the process and cover the upper half, and if you did not know the words it would be impossible to make out the letters. This fact is even more plainly seen in the case of the Roman letters used for headlines. An L might be mistaken for an I, but nearly all the other letters are so plainly indicated by the shape of the upper half that the lines may be read without difficulty."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Duelling in Old Creole Days.
When duelling was an actual factor in the social order of this country, it had many worthy and notable exponents, including no less distinguished personages than Henry Clay, Andrew Jackson, Alexander Hamilton, De Witt Clinton, Stephen Decatur and others of the same type, but nowhere on this continent was it so much an established institution as in that peculiarly romantic old city of New Orleans. It was woven into the very fabric of the life of the community, and many a crumbling tombstone in the antiquated creole cemeteries bears grim and silent witness to the fact, though to understand the situation more clearly one should breathe, so to speak, the atmosphere of the period.—Louis J. Meader in Century.

A Fish Story.
The latest fish story concerns the herring and sea gull, and it comes from Nanaimo. A boat load of herring, containing about fifteen tons, was left at Johnston's wharf, Nanaimo, during the noon hour while the fishermen went to dinner. During their absence several thousand sea gulls—the chronicler says 10,000—ate all the fish on one side of the boat with such good results that they emptied it, and when the last herring had been removed from that side it was like the last straw that broke the camel's back, for the boat, with all the weight on the other side, upset, spilling all the remaining fish into the water.—Shanghai Mercury.

Devoured by Jackals.
Foreign papers tell a story of a woman at Philippeville, in Algeria, who was seated by her baby's cradle on the veranda of her house when she was called within by her husband. Returning to the veranda after an absence of a few minutes, she found the cradle knocked over and the baby gone. Next day native shepherds discovered in the undergrowth of a wood the bones of a young child and a string of amber beads, which were immediately recognized by the mother as having been on her child's neck. "There is no doubt that the infant was carried off and devoured by jackals," a correspondent adds.

Purely Chance.
Knicker—Do you consider poker a game of chance? Bocker—Purely. Sometimes my wife finds it out, and then again she doesn't.—Harper's Bazar.

The fear of work is the card index to the catalogue of troubles.—Richmond Missouri.

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